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SUBJECT: GERMAN RESPONSE TO DEMARCHE ON PAKISTAN'S IDP  
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1. (SBU) Poloff delivered reftel points to MFA Pakistan Desk Officer Tobias Grothe on March 11 and asked that Germany support urgent appeals for assistance to Pakistan's internally displaced persons (IDPs). Grothe said he would coordinate with the MFA desk responsible UN humanitarian assistance and get back to us. During a March 16 follow-up conversation, Grothe said the German government agreed that the IDP situation in Pakistan was of serious concern, but a decision on what kind of contribution Germany would make had not yet been reached. He believed a decision would be forthcoming soon.

2. (SBU) Econoff also delivered points to Kerstin Faehrmann, Head of Section, Emergency and Transitional Assistance, World Food Program and Crisis Team, Federal Ministry of Cooperation and Development (BMZ). Faehrmann said BMZ was not planning on providing any emergency food aid at this time. She conceded, however, that this could change, and she did not rule out providing such assistance in the future.

3. (SBU) Embassy Berlin will report septel on any developments with regard to Germany's contributions in support of Pakistan's IDPs as new information comes available.  
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